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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed in the above-captioned case on March 14, 2007.

By virtue of the accompanying petition and payment of extension fees, this Response is timely filed. While no other fees are believed due, the US Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to debit account No. 19-0741 for any charges deemed necessary.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims, which begins on page 2 of this document.

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